Applications for appointments in the Electrical Department.

88. *MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Electrical Engineer has received applications for appointment from Travancoreans who are working in the Electrical Power Houses outside Travancore; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken in the matter?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Such applications have been considered along with others when filling up vacancies in the Electrical Department.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know whether it will be the policy of Government to give preference to Travancore applicants?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Ordinarily only Travancoreans will be appointed.

Dr. Nokes's Report re recruitment to Public Service.

89. *MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*) Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether Dr. G. D. Nokes has submitted his report on the question of the recruitment to the Public Service; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether any action has been taken on it?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The member is referred to G. O. Dis. No. 893/35/Genl., dated the 25th June 1935, relating to recruitment to Public Service, published on pages 1243-1250 of Part I of the Travancore Government Gazette dated the 25th June 1935.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): May I know whether the Government Order referred to in the answer is a true and faithful adaptation, without any change whatsoever, of the report submitted by Dr. Nokes?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The report submitted by Dr Nokes is confidential and I am not prepared to disclose its contents.

MR. A. EASWARA PILLAI (*Kalkulam II*): May I know the classification of the Hindu community according to that report?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That information is given in the G. O. on recruitment to Public Service published in the Gazette.

MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*): May I know whether Dr. Nokes's report has been substantially accepted by Government?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have already stated that Dr. Nokes's report is confidential and I cannot disclose either the whole or a part of its contents.

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